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Serial No: 10/758,692

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METHOD FOR PRODUCING SUCH  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated November 28, 2006, applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, Claims 2, 3, 7 and 8, drawn to an optical isolator element, classified in class 359, subclass 484.

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